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U.S. Pays Fairfax City Legal Fees in CIA Case

A protracted fiscal tangle arising from a Central Intelligence Agency break-in at a photo studio in Fairfax City eleven years ago has been resolved by congressional approval of a measure to pay the city more than \$41,000 in legal fees arising from the break-in.

The money was in the supplemental appropriations bill that passed last week when President Reagan's veto was overridden.

After the break-in was disclosed in 1975, a \$12 million damage lawsuit was filed by the studio's operator against Fairfax City charging that its po-

lice department had cooperated with the CIA in an illegal raid on the now-defunct studio. The suit was dismissed five years ago, but city officials have argued that the federal government should reimburse it for its expenses in fighting the suit.

Congress authorized a payment in 1979 but appropriated no money. Rep. Frank Wolf (R-Va.) said he added the funds to the appropriations bill that originally passed the House July 29.

The raid was made public in a Rockefeller Commission report on CIA domestic activities released in June 1975.